

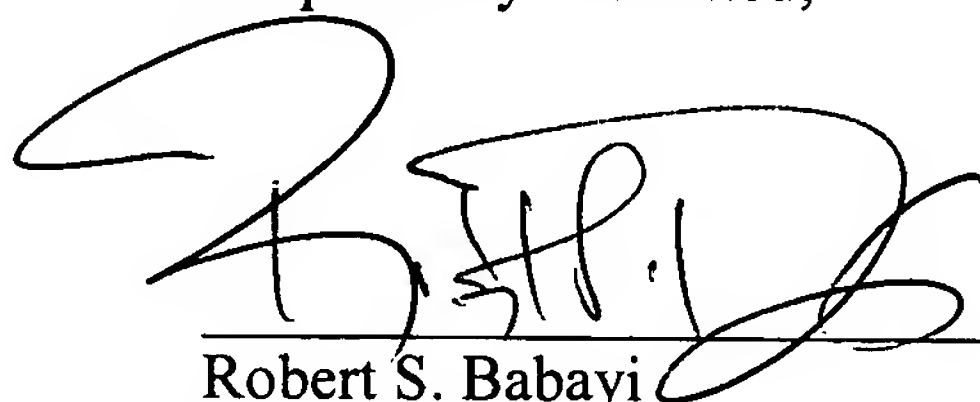
Remarks

In response to the restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicants hereby elect invention in Group I, namely, Claims 1-6 and 13-18, which are directed to a transmission system and method. Since none of the claims has been examined based on merits, the elected Claims 1-6 and 13-18 are hereby canceled and are replaced by new Claims 23-52 shown above. Like elected, but now canceled Claims 1-6 and 13-18, the new Claims 23-42 are directed to a transmission system and method.

Examination of new Claims 23-42 is hereby requested.

Applicants believe that the new claims do not require additional claim fees. Should additional claim fees be necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, such fees are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 22-0261. In the event of such charges, please advise us accordingly.

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